

3. (Twice Amended) A molded element according to claim 1, wherein the sealing element is a metal, a metal alloy or a metal composite.

4. (Twice Amended) A molded element according to claim 1, wherein the sealing element is a brittle-fracture material.

5. (Twice Amended) A molded element according to claim 1, wherein the sealing element has a plate, spherical, conical or cylindrical shape.

6. (Twice Amended) A molded element according to claim 1, wherein the molded element is a glass plate, and wherein the at least one opening has the shape of a through-going cylindrical opening or through-going conical opening.

7. (Amended) A laminated glass system comprising a molded element according to claim 6.

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9. (Amended) A molded element according to claim 1, wherein the molded element and the sealing element are bonded by means of welding by movement.

10. (Twice Amended) A molded element according to claim 1, wherein the molded element and/or the sealing element is at least partially coated.

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-- 11. A molded element according to claim 1, wherein the sealing element is glass, glass ceramic or ceramic.

12. A laminated glass system according to claim 7, wherein the laminated glass system has electrochromic properties.

13. A molded element according to claim 1, wherein the molded element and the sealing element are bonded by means of ultrasound weld, high-frequency weld, rotary weld, friction weld, torsional or orbital weld, cold pressure weld or abrasive weld.

14. A molded element according to claim 1, wherein the molded element and/or the sealing element is at least partially metal- and/or plastic-coated.

15. A molded element that comprises brittle-fracture material with at least one opening to a cavity that is hermetically sealed by a sealing element, wherein the molded element and the sealing element are permanently bonded together by means of connecting pressure welds.

16. A molded element according to claim 15, wherein the cavity is filled with a gas or liquid.

17. A molded element according to claim 15, wherein the sealing element is a brittle-fracture material.

18. A molded element according to claim 15, wherein the sealing element is glass, glass ceramic or ceramic.

19. A molded element according to claim 1, wherein the molded element and the sealing element have the same coefficients of thermal expansion.

20. A molded element according to claim 1, wherein the molded element and the sealing element are made of the same material.

21. A molded element according to claim 1, wherein the molded element has one opening.

22. A molded element according to claim 1, wherein the molded element has two openings.

23. An electrochromic glazing comprising a molded element according to claim 1.

24. A mirror comprising a molded element according to claim 1.

25. A molded element according to claim 1, wherein the sealing element is homogeneous in material.

26. A molded element according to claim 1, wherein the connecting pressure welds contain material only from the molded element and/or the sealing element.

27. A molded element according to claim 1, wherein the sealing element is a solid element at the time it is permanently bonded together with the molded element by means of connecting pressure welds.

28. A process for sealing an opening on a molded element that comprises brittle-fracture material by inserting a sealing element into the opening and permanently hermetically sealing the same by means of connecting pressure welds. --

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